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IV.—Japan and the World War.

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threatening England's far eastern interests, except in a very general and secondary way; but the terms of alliances
have been stretched before, and Japan's
action seemed to most neutral observers
justifiable enough.

Germany held in Kiaochao, her Chinese port, a possible base for naval operations against the allies. Japan pointed
to this fact as reason for her own move.

A base for naval warfare in the east

to this fact as reason for her own move. A base for naval warfare in the east might be regarded as a point hostile to England's far eastern interests, and hence as open to attack under the terms of the Anglo-Japanese alliance. At the time that this point was raised those who saw the possible consequences of Japanese action to the United States and China suggested that Germany would be glad to refrain, voluntarily, from using Kiaochao as a naval base, rather than lose it, as she certainly must before Japan's attack. China actually brought the expedient formally to the attention of the United States and Japan, as the two powers most interested, after herself. The choice was never offered Germany, however. Japan sent an ultimatum instead. \*\*

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cally, Japan was received into the list of belligerating the particularly increasing to the Dates Steen, whose merchants ask nothing with Open Arms, each with Open Arms, each with Open Arms, and a declaration of waren Germany was a sure bid for popularity in the British empire. But there is all the doubt that English statement and diplomats would much rather see Japan a neutral power than a belligerent. Her greatest help to the allies has been her manufacture of munitions for Russia. She could do that without declaring war. As it is, her course has upset that carefully piled apple-cart officially known as the balance of power in the far east. Shankes of power in the far east. She dispatched an expedition against Kinochao. Kiacchao is a port on the swhich forms of the Sapan, and American Irade is falling for the course of the most of the Sapan and American Irade is falling for the course of the most of the Sapan and American Irade is falling for the course of the most of the Sapan and American Irade is falling for the course of the most fall plied apple-cart officially known as the balance of power in the far east. Shanking in the past year, it is only a the great plant of the Japanese surface is falling for the power of the sapan and American Irade is falling for the power of the sapan and American Irade is falling for the power of the sapan and American Irade is falling for the power of the sapan and American Irade is falling for the power of the sapan and American Irade is falling for the power of the sapan and American Irade is falling for the power of the sapan and American Irade is falling for the power of the sapan and American Irade is falling for the power of the sapan and American Irade is falling for the power of the sapan and American Irade is falling for the power of the sapan and American Irade is falling for the power of the sapan and American Irade is falling for the power of the sapan and American Irade is falling fo

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Voice in Settlement. would take it. The one feature of the campaign that came somewhat unexpectedly was England's action the disposition of the spoils of the campaign, and her expeditionary force gives her the right to such a voice. Japan could not refuse the assistance of her ally, but England's course was not popu-

China has practically nothing left to give Russia and Japan in Manchuria and the rice along the same lines with our interests and China's. China wants the "open door" policy, with its guarantee of equal commercial rights to all nations and territorial spheres of influence to none for continuing as a nation instead of because it represents China's best chance for continuing as a nation instead of because it represents China's best chance for continuing as a nation instead of because it represents China's best chance for continuing as a nation instead of because in case the sphere of influence doctrine is revived we will be a continuing as a nation instead of because in case the sphere of influence doctrine is revived we will be a compared to China absolutely.

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to for himself. The American reverse land wants to have a voice in the negotiations that will ultimately determine for himself. The American govern-fully with respect to the issues of the

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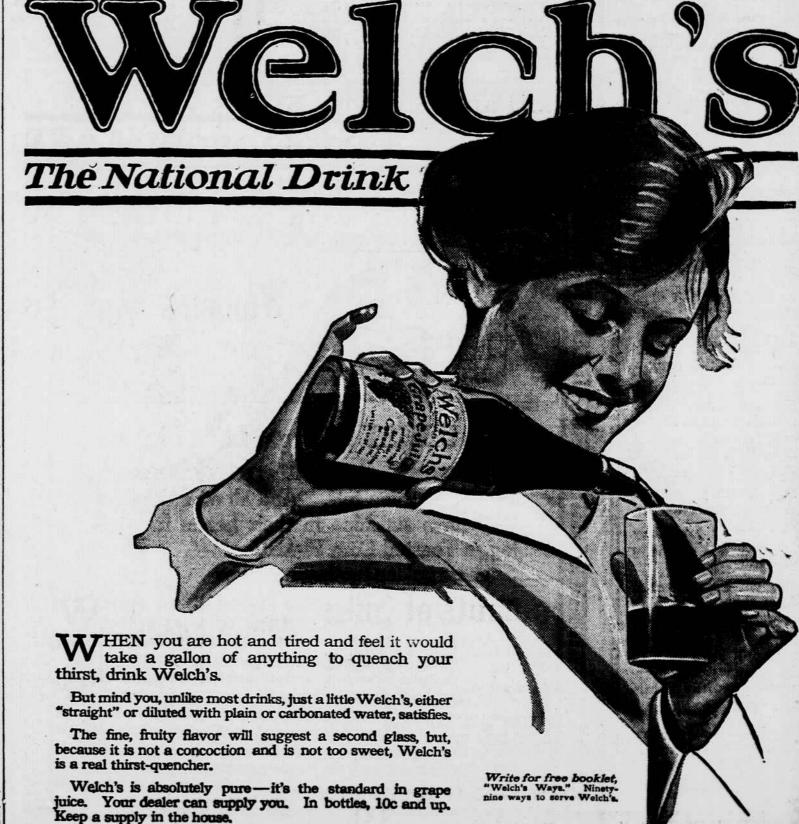
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theories of statement: American Theories. tional relaand interna- Roosevelt's letter of indorsement, and ment, moreover, does not want to establish a sphere of influence to dominate in a helpless nation. Such a proceeding is repugnant to all our ideas. The United States proposed and established the open door policy.

Even if the United States should make a virtue of necessity and enter the scramble for a sphere of her own, China has practically nothing left to give. Russla and Japan in Manchuria

"Good-bye, and the best possible



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